Monthly Report –May 2018 Kentucky Department for Libraries & Archives



May is **Get Caught Reading Month!**

Reminder: All Special Purpose Governmental Entities (SPGEs) must approve a 2018-19 budget by June 30th and submit the budget online to the Department for Local Government by July 15th. Budget amendments for 2017-18 must be submitted by June 30th. In addition, the registration and board reporting form and the registration fee must be completed by July 15th. If the library is required to prepare an audit, it will need to be submitted to DLG by June 30th. To complete, log on to the DLG portal at: https://kydlgweb.ky.gov/entities/16_SpgePortal.cfm.

Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries Available

The annual Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries, Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is now available on the KDLA website: http://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/plssd/Pages/LibraryStatistics.aspx. This report contains information taken from the Annual Report of Public Libraries that each library completes every August. The report details county-by-county library statistics in 93 categories including funding, circulation and program attendance. It also offers a series of charts listing the top counties in various per capita library measures and a summary of library statistics for the most recent year compared with the three prior years.

Kentucky Bluegrass Award Winners Announced

The Kentucky Bluegrass Award is our statewide student-choice reading program. Titles are curated annually and collaboratively by school and public librarians, with winning titles voted on by children across the Bluegrass. All Kentucky schools and libraries are encouraged to participate in this endeavor to promote quality literature and recreational reading among all of our PreK-12th grade students. Winning 2017-2018 titles, as well as previous backlists, can be found on the website hosted by the Kentucky Association of School Librarians: http://www.kasl.us/kentucky-bluegrass-award.html

Association for Rural and Small Libraries Conference

Join over 500 library professionals for the conference created just for those working in small and rural public libraries. The Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) Conference takes place September 13th-15th, 2018 in Springfield, Illinois. Registration opened on April 4th. Check out the Conference News page for the latest information: https://arsl.info/conference-main-page.

Kentucky Library Association (KLA) Conference

Online registration and a draft program will be available soon at: http://www.klaonline.org/conreg990.cfm for the joint Kentucky Library Association/ Kentucky Association of School Librarians Conference held September 19th-22nd at the Galt House in Louisville. The theme for this year is "Libraries Cultivate Lifelong Learning". Make your reservations early to ensure that you have accommodations.